RATE IN AID (IRELAND) ACT.

RETURN to an Order of the Honourable The House of Commons, dated 11th March 1850;—*for*,

A RETURN "of the VALUATION of the several UNIONS in *Ireland* to which ADVANCES have been made under the RATE IN AID ACT of the last Session, and the Amount advanced to each:"

"And, of the AMOUNT of RATES actually collected in each of these UNIONS during the Year 1849, and the Proportion which the Amount collected bears to the Pound of Valuation; the Highest and Lowest Rate assessed on any Electoral Division during the Year in each, and the Greatest Number Relieved during the Months of January 1849 and January 1850."

1. NAMES of UNIONS.	2. Valuation on 13 June 1849, the Date of the Rate in Aid Order of the Poor Law Commissioners.	3. Amount Advanced to 11 March 1850.	4. Amount of Rates Collected during the Year 1849.	5. Average Poundage of Rates Collected during the Year 1849	6. Highest Rate assessed on any Electoral Division during the Year 1849.	7. Lowest Rate assessed on any Electoral Division during the Year 1849.	Greatest Number Relieved 8. During the Month of January 1849	Greatest Number Relieved 9. During the Month of January 1850.
	£.	£. s. d.	£.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.		
Ballina (*a*) - -	89,151	22,094 3 –	11,887	2 8	5 7½	5 1	23,181	5,392
Ballinrobe - - -	85,216	13,216 6 6	18,825	4 5	5 6	3 –	17,998	3,380
Bantry (*b*) - - -	37,206	6,170 10 –	6,949	3 8½	3 4	3 4	5,147	2,314
Caherciveen - -	22,951	4,165 – –	2,717	2 4½	5 6	3 6	4,753	3,790
Callan (*c*) - - -	83,519	507 – –	18,986	4 6½	8 8	2 0	10,810	5,807
Carrick-on-Shannon -	59,804	5,389 – –	11,432	3 10	3 6½	2 8½	8,173	1,693
Castlebar - - -	49,988	13,728 15 –	9,495	3 9½	5 –	5 –	11,701	5,974
Castlerea - - -	114,349	7,131 – –	15,864	2 9½	3 –	3 –	7,072	2,720
Chidan - - -	19,986	11,129 17 9	3,585	3 7	5 –	5 –	9,340	4,973
Dingle - - -	29,486	5,626 3 5	9,101	6 2	7 –	5 –	6,543	7,605
Donegal (*d*) - -	31,648	53 – –	6,126	3 10½	5 –	1 10	930	634
Ennis - - -	100,238	7,733 – –	20,834	4 1¾	8 5	1 –	23,520	12,734
Ennistymon - -	63,793	11,228 – –	20,565	6 5½	10 –	7 4	15,635	8,962
Galway (*e*) - -	90,903	14,599 – –	15,612	3 5¼	5 –	3 –	12,069	5,328
Glenties - - -	16,270	1,237 – –	1,110	1 4½	5 –	2 6	1,797	492
Cort - - - -	46,514	6,268 11 5	11,108	4 9½	5 –	5 –	6,940	2,471
Kenmare - - -	24,465	4,193 – –	6,297	5 1¾	7 6	3 6	7,791	4,429
Kilrush - - -	59,247	13,595 – –	12,627	4 3	7 7	4 –	20,922	16,157
Listowel - - -	96,052	1,000 – –	27,158	5 7¾	5 8	2 –	23,208	9,723
Mohill - - -	58,045	1,770 – –	9,121	3 1¾	10 8	3 –	6,054	1,769
Roscommon - -	73,533	9,523 10 –	19,004	5 2	3 –	3 –	10,778	2,876
Scariff - - -	55,274	13,392 – –	10,289	3 3¾	3 4	3 4	16,470	9,459
Skibbereen (*f*) - -	62,623	7,930 – –	13,708	4 –	3 –	1 9	20,450	3,639
Sligo - - -	148,211	300 – –	17,758	2 4¾	3 –	1 2	9,724	3,213
Swineford - - -	46,164	8,066 – –	9,223	4 –	5 –	3 1½	10,335	1,706
Tuam - - -	84,573	9,975 7 4	18,287	4 3¾	8 –	3 –	11,570	3,047
Westport (*g*) - -	39,019	15,786 15 1	8,382	4 3½	5 10	5 10	12,613	6,743
TOTAL - -	1,694,228	215,807 19 6	336,050	3 11½	(*h*) 10 8	(*h*) 1 –	315,524	137,030

(*a*) *Ballina Union.*—The items under the several heads include the New Unions of Killala, Belmullet and Dromore West, formed 29th September 1849.
(*b*) *Bantry Union.*—The items under the several heads include the New Union of Castletown, formed the 29th September 1849.
(*c*) *Callan Union.*—The advances to this Union (Col. 3) were made specifically for the Electoral Division of Ballingarry.
(*d*) *Donegal Union.*—The advances to this Union (Col. 3) were made specifically for the Electoral Division of Inver.
(*e*) *Galway Union.*—The items under the several heads include the New Union of Oughterard, formed 8th October 1849
(*f*) *Skibbereen Union.*—The items under the several heads include the New Unions of Skull and Clonakilty, formed 3d October 1849.
(*g*) *Westport Union.*—The items under the several heads include the New Union of Newport, formed 8th October 1849.
(*h*) The Highest and Lowest Rates, given in Columns 6 and 7, are taken on the aggregate Amount of the Rates assessed during the year.

Poor Law Commission Office, Dublin, 23 March 1850.

W. Stanley, Secretary.

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